

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) Arrangement for the withdrawal of samples from a flow of harvested crop flowing in a conveying channel of a harvesting machine in a direction of flow toward a discharge end of said conveying channel, comprising: said conveying channel being provided with a wall containing an opening through which crop samples may be withdrawn; said opening being symmetrical about a central axis disposed in alignment with said wall; a guide element having a shape complementary to said opening and being mounted to said conveying channel for pivotal movement about said axis between a sample withdrawal position in which it frees said opening for permitting a crop sample to move through, and in which it projects into said channel so as to deflect crop through, said opening, and a closed position, wherein said guide element is located within and blocks said opening so as to prevent crop from moving through said opening.

2. (cancelled)

3. (previously amended) ~~The arrangement, as defined in claim 1, wherein~~ Arrangement for the withdrawal of samples from a flow of harvested crop flowing in a conveying channel of a harvesting machine in a direction of flow toward a discharge end of said conveying channel, comprising: said conveying channel being provided with a wall containing an opening through which crop samples may be withdrawn; said opening being symmetrical about a central axis; a guide element having a shape complementary to said opening and being mounted to said conveying channel for pivotal movement about said axis between a sample withdrawal position in which it frees said opening for permitting a crop sample to move through, and in which it projects into said channel so as to deflect crop through, said opening, and a closed position, wherein said guide element is located within and blocks said opening so as to prevent crop from moving through said opening; and said opening being is so located relative to said direction of flow of crop and said guide element that said guide element projects downstream within said conveying channel and said crop runs through said opening in said wall when the guide element is brought into said sample withdrawal position.

4. (previously amended) The arrangement, as defined in claim 1, wherein said central axis extends at least approximately transverse to said direction of flow of crop.

5. (cancelled)

6. (previously amended) The arrangement, as defined in claim 1, wherein said region of said guide element extending into the conveying channel is inclined, when in the sample withdrawal position relative to the direction of flow of the harvested crop by one of less than 90° and more than 90°.

7. (previously amended) The arrangement, as defined in claim 1, and further including a drive coupled to said guide element for selectively pivoting said guide element about said central axis.

8. (previously amended) The arrangement, as defined in claim 1, wherein said conveying channel is defined by a discharge spout of a forage harvester.